

House Study Bill 507

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
JUDICIARY BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON PAULSEN)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to a locksmith assisting a person in entering a
2 residency, and providing a penalty.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 5121HC 81
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 733.1 VERIFICATION OF RESIDENCY
1 2 BY A LOCKSMITH == PENALTY.
1 3 1. A locksmith shall verify the identity of a person as to
1 4 the person's residence and address prior to assisting that
1 5 person in seeking entry into a residence. A locksmith may
1 6 verify the address of a residence by use of a telephone book,
1 7 a driver's license, or any other form of identification, or by
1 8 confirmation from a neighbor. If the locksmith is unable to
1 9 verify the address of a person's residence or the address of a
1 10 person's residence does not match the address of the residence
1 11 seeking to be entered, the locksmith shall not provide any
1 12 assistance in entering the residence.
1 13 2. If a locksmith fails to verify the address of a
1 14 person's residence prior to assisting the person in seeking
1 15 entry into the residence, the locksmith commits a simple
1 16 misdemeanor punishable as a scheduled violation under section
1 17 805.8C, subsection 8.
1 18 Sec. 2. Section 805.8C, Code Supplement 2005, is amended
1 19 by adding the following new subsection:
1 20 NEW SUBSECTION. 8. FAILURE TO VERIFY BY A LOCKSMITH. For
1 21 violations of section 733.1, the scheduled fine is one hundred
1 22 dollars.

EXPLANATION

1 24 This bill relates to a locksmith assisting a person in
1 25 entering a residence.
1 26 The bill requires a locksmith to verify the address of a
1 27 person's residence prior to assisting that person in seeking
1 28 entry into a residence. Under the bill, the locksmith may use
1 29 a telephone book, confirmation from a neighbor, a driver's
1 30 license, or any other form of identification to verify the
1 31 address of the person seeking entry into the residence. If
1 32 the locksmith is unable to verify the address or the address
1 33 of the person does not match the address of the residence
1 34 seeking to be entered, the locksmith shall not assist the
1 35 person in entering the residence.
2 1 If the locksmith fails to verify the address of a person
2 2 seeking entry into a residence, the person working as the
2 3 locksmith commits a simple misdemeanor punishable as a
2 4 scheduled violation. The scheduled fine under the bill is
2 5 \$100.
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